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Benin, Brazil, Canada, Chile,* Haiti, Spain* and Trinidad and Tobago:* draft resolution

Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Haiti

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolutions 2004/52 of 23 July 2004, 2005/46 of 27 July 2005, 2006/10 of 26 July 2006 and 2007/13 of 25 July 2007 and its decision 2004/332 of 11 November 2004,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Haiti[1] and the recommendations contained therein;

2. *Also takes note* of the political and economic evolution of the situation and welcomes the support provided by the international community to this process;

3. *Notes* the progress made by the Government of Haiti in terms of gender equality, and also notes the importance of gender equality as a necessary dimension of any strategy for development;

4. *Commends* the finalization of the growth and poverty reduction strategy paper by the Haitian authorities, and looks forward to continued support from donors, the United Nations system and the Bretton Woods institutions in connection with the implementation of this strategy;

5. *Expresses concern* over the especially adverse effects of the global food crisis on Haiti and encourages the international community to continue providing support for Haiti's short- and long-term needs for recovery and, in this regard, welcomes the holding of meetings on this issue, such as the High-level Meeting on

* In accordance with rule 72 of the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council.
[1] E/2008/90.

Food Security in Haiti, held in Rome on 2 June 2008 and the Conference on Food Sovereignty and Rural Development in Haiti, held in Madrid on 15 July 2008;[2]

6. *Recognizes the need* for effective coordination between the Government of Haiti and donors, as well as a standing mechanism for consultation with the main non-governmental organizations active in Haiti;

7. *Decides* to extend the mandate of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Haiti until the substantive session of the Economic and Social Council in July 2009, with the purpose of following closely and providing advice on Haiti's long-term development strategy to promote socio-economic recovery and stability, with particular attention to the need to ensure coherence and sustainability in international support for Haiti, based on the long-term national development priorities and building upon the Interim Cooperation Framework and the growth and poverty reduction strategy paper, and stressing the need to avoid overlap and duplication with respect to existing mechanisms;

8. *Expresses its satisfaction* to the Secretary-General for the support provided to the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Haiti and requests him to continue to support the Group's activities adequately from within existing resources;

9. *Requests* the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Haiti, in accomplishing its mandate, to continue to cooperate with the Secretary-General and his Special Representative in Haiti, the head of the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti, the United Nations Development Group, relevant United Nations funds and programmes and the specialized agencies, the Bretton Woods institutions, regional organizations and institutions including the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean, the Organization of American States, the Caribbean Community and the Inter-American Development Bank, and other major stakeholders;

10. *Also requests* the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Haiti to submit a report on its work, with recommendations, as appropriate, to the Economic and Social Council at its substantive session of 2009.

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[2] As agreed upon at the European Union-Latin America and Caribbean Summit held in Lima on 15 and 16 May 2008.